

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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COLLECTION OF PHOTOGRAPHS

To

Certain American Diplomatic and Consular Officers

The Secretary of State refers to Foreign Service Serial No. 888, dated August 5, 1948, entitled "Collection of Photographs" and to the Department's circular instruction, dated October 20, 1949, on the same subject.

Response to this circular instruction has been extremely gratifying. Requests for film, the film submitted for processing, and the negatives or prints forwarded have clearly demonstrated the value of this project. The photographs have, in general, been excellent and have constituted an important and valuable addition to this governments' collection of intelligence photography.

It is again urged that Foreign Service personnel be encouraged to supplement pictorial coverage obtainable from published sources with current original photographs not otherwise obtainable.

The enclosed Hand Book on Intelligence Photography, while designed primarily as a guide for collection from commercial or private sources, indicates the type of photographic coverage desired and may be helpful.

Enclosure:

Hand Book on Intelligence Photography

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